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REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to a first office action dated May 20, 2008.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hikita et al (5250766). The Examiner objected to claims 2 and 3 stating they would be allowable if rewritten to overcome rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd, set forth in the Office Action and to include all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 2. Claims 3 and 4 depend from presently amended claim 1.

Applicant notes, no rejections under 35 USC 112, 2nd were set forth. The present RECEIVED set of claims complies with 35 U.S.C. 112 2nd. CENTRAL FAX CENTER

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the subject application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner feel a phone interview would be helpful in processing the subject application, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned.

Please charge any fee for this statement to Deposit Account No. 15-0750, Order No. OT-5177.

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